

Comment for planning application 24/00539/F

Application Number	24/00539/F
Location	Land To The East Of Stratfield Brake And West Of Oxford Parkway Railway Station Oxford Road Kidlington
Proposal	Erection of a stadium (Use Class F2) with flexible commercial and community facilities and uses including for conferences, exhibitions, education, and other events, club shop, public restaurant, bar, health and wellbeing facility/clinic, and gym (Use Class E/Sui Generis), hotel (Use Class C1), external concourse/fan-zone, car and cycle parking, access and highway works, utilities, public realm, landscaping and all associated and ancillary works and structures
Case Officer	Laura Bell
Organisation Name	
Name	Jordan Hastie
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Type of Comment	Support
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I am supporting the plans for a new stadium as I have supported Oxford United for 32 years now. I attended my first game when I was 4 years old with my grandad & my dad unfortunately both are no longer alive. I now attend games with my 2 children who are 15 & 11 both attending their first games around the same age I did. My Grandad supported Headington then Oxford he was a life long fan that has passed down the generations, this Football club means everything to me, my children & many other family members that support them as well. The memories I have, the friends I've made over the years & now I'm able to keep creating new memories with my children. 1996 I was in the Osler Road at The Manor when we won promotion to Division 1, I've been there for the subsequent relegations all the way down to non league which we fell to in 2006. I was there for the 2 promotions that followed, the work the club do in the community is outstanding ever since I was a child I remember the football camps & they still carry on to this day Cameron Brannagan has 3 football camps running now to help children in the city & surrounding areas achieve their dreams of playing football. The hospital visits, the phone calls & videos calls from the then manager & players during lockdown to fans who were lonely & couldn't get out on a Saturday to meet up with friends on a match day meant so much. The smiles & excitement I still feel my children to, on a Saturday knowing we'll be going to watch the mighty yellows win or lose up the Us. I beg you please don't take that away from us or from the thousands that attend home & away games the Kassam stadium isn't our home & never has been it's just a place that has bled our club for years. This new stadium will be a home for us it will be ours the club have pledged millions for new public transport systems, to make it as environmentally friendly as they can & to make it one of if not the most accessible stadiums in the country. That doesn't mean on just match days that's all year round something that can't be achieved at the minute as we only have a certain number of days we are able to use the stadium throughout the year. This new stadium will be a big boost to the local economy, it will provide more employment a space for people to meet & socialise it will be a hive of activity for all to use. However most importantly for me it will allow myself & my children to carry on being able to watch our beloved yellows to carry on that love affair that started 36 years ago that first game on the Osler Road with my dad & grandad. I beg you please do not kill our football team by rejecting us this chance to create a new home to bring back the glory days that many experienced in the 80s to allow a new generation & future generations of supporters the chance to enjoy the experience of watching Oxford United. With out this stadium the reality is that from 2026 onwards we won't have any where local to play so that either means travelling miles out of Oxfordshire to another town for "home" games or even worse. The truth is this Football club means something to thousands of people in Oxfordshire each reason personal to them for most it's being part of a family one that gets together every week to Support a football team we all love. Please allow us the chance to prove the doubters wrong & show what an asset we as fans are & the club can be to the local community around the Triangle</p>
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